GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1180
ANSWERED ON:01.08.2005
ASSISTANCE FOR CONSERVATION OF FOREST
Barman Shri Hiten;Patel Shri Kishanbhai Vestabhai;Sarma Dr. Arun Kumar;Singh Shri Sugrib

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) The details of the amount sanctioned, released and utilized for development /conservation of forests in the country during the last three years, State-wise;

(b) the necessary steps being taken by the Government to activate afforestation activities in the country especially in the North-Eastern States;

(c) the details of aberration made by each State in the enforcement of Supreme Court directives on the forest conservation in the region; and

(d) the specific eco-development protection plans envisaged for implementation in the country in terms of national and international conventions with special reference to the North-Eastern States?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS(SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) Ministry of Environment and Forests is implementing National Afforestation Programme (NAP) Scheme and Integrated Forest Protection Scheme (IFPS) that are primarily focused on development of forests, and protection and conservation of forests respectively. State-wise funds released under NAP and IFPS during the last three years is given in Annexure − I and II respectively.

(b) People's participation is considered important for afforestation in the country. Therefore, NAP is being implemented through a two-tier decentralized institutional setup of Forest Development Agency (FDA) at the Forest Division level and Joint Forest Management Committees (JFMCs) at the village level. As on 31.03.2005, 620 FDA projects have been approved in the country to treat an area of 8.68 lakh hectares. Out of these, 110 FDA projects have been approved in the North Eastern States, including Sikkim, to treat an area of 1.56 lakh hectares.

(c) No such instance has come to the notice of Ministry of Environment and Forests recently.

(d)The Ministry of Environment and Forests is providing assistance through various schemes, like National Wetland Conservation Programme, Biosphere Reserves, etc. for protection and eco-development in the country including in the North-Eastern States. Under assistance to Biosphere Reserves, projects of Dibru-Saikhowa and Manas in Assam, Nokrek in Meghalaya, Kanchenjunga in Sikkim, and Dehang Debang in Arunachal Pradesh in the North Eastern region have been provided financial assistance.

Annexure-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1180 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 01.08.2005 REGARDING ASSISTANCE FOR CONSERVATION OF FOREST.

STATE-WISE FUNDS RELEASED TO FOREST DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES UNDER NAP (As on 31.03.2005)

Sl. No.	Name of State/UT	Amount Released (Rs. in Crores)
1	Andhra Pradesh	33.00
2	Arunachal Pradesh	8.01
3	Assam	13.57
4	Bihar	4.62
5	Chhattisgarh	33.59
6	Goa	0.64
7	Gujarat	15.84
8	Haryana	25.80
9	Himachal Pradesh	18.15
10	Jammu & Kashmir	16.22
11	Jharkhand	19.29
12	Karnataka	52.41

13 Kerala 5.57
14 Madhya Pradesh 41.91
15 Maharashtra 29.90
16 Manipur 12.91
17 Meghalaya 2.45
18 Mizoram 35.91
19 Nagaland 23.05
20 Orissa 30.36
21 Punjab 2.13
22 Rajasthan 14.81
23 Sikkim 11.76
24 Tamil Nadu 36.52
25 Tripura 11.78
26 Uttar Pradesh 59.51
27 Uttaranchal 18.69
28 West Bengal 13.84
Total 592.24

Annexure - II

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1180 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 01.08.2005 REGARDING ASSISTANCE FOR CONSERVATION OF FOREST.

STATE-WISE FUNDS RELEASED TO STATES / UNION TERRITORIES UNDER INTEGRATED FOREST PROTECTION SCHEME

(As on 31.03.2005)

(Rs. in lakhs)

SNo Name of States/UTs Amount Released (Rs. in lakhs)
1 2 3

Other States

1 Andhra Pradesh 519
2 Bihar 118.62
3 Chhatisgarh 732.24
4 Goa 119.42
5 Gujarat 334.44
6 Haryana 292.21
7 Himachal Pradesh 190.25
8 Jammu & Kashmir 377.87
9 Jharkhand 620.27
10 Karnataka 212
11 Kerala 458.5
12 Madhya Pradesh 743.25
13 Maharashtra 303.09
14 Orissa 240.44
15 Punjab 101.2
16 Rajasthan 70.27
17 Tamil Nadu 505.52
18 Uttar Pradesh 376.69
19 Uttranchal 677.88
20 West Bengal 486.43
Total 7479.59

NE & Sikkim 0

1 Assam 576.6
2 Arunachal Pradesh 567.7
3 Manipur 154.3
4 Meghalaya 0
5 Mizoram 1264.03
6 Nagaland 889.5
7 Sikkim 540.63
8 Tripura 860.68
Total 4853.44

Union Territories 0

1	A & N Islands	25
2	Chandigarh	8
3	D&N Haveli	40
4	Daman & Diu	15
5	Lakshadweep	0
6	New Delhi	0
7	Pondicherry	0
	Total	88
	Grand Total	12421.03